Justin Irvin Backous, 21, of Mason City died Saturday at Story County Hospital in Nevada from complications of injuries suffered in an auto accident. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at Cooper-Ryan Funeral Home in Nevada. Cremation will follow the service, with private burial of the cremains at a later date.

Mr. Backous was born in Iowa City and lived in Nevada, Ia., Alaska and Colorado before moving to Mason City three years ago. He worked for C & J Auto Body.

He is survived by a son, Kai of Mason City; his parents, Rod Backous of Nevada and Rebecca Williams of Ames; four sisters, Jennifer Backous of Huxley, Nova Hensch of Ames, and April Backous and Amanda Backous, both of Nevada; a stepbrother, Eric Williams of Ames; a stepsister, Sara Williams of Sioux City; and his grandparents, Alice Backous of Nevada, Margaret Sandrock of Detroit and Conrad Germain of Grimes.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Crash is fatal to Mason City man

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Zearing, Ia. — A Mason City man was killed when his vehicle collided with a farm tractor on a highway near here, officials said.

Justin Backous, 21, was declared dead at the crash site Saturday afternoon, the Iowa State Patrol said.

Officials said Backous, southbound on U.S. Highway 65 north of Zearing, crashed into the rear of a southbound tractor operated by Jill Perisho, 20, of Zearing. She was not injured.